

Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West (SLFPA-W)
Technical, Operations, and Maintenance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 13, 2014

The Technical, Operations, and Maintenance (TOM) Committee of the SLFPA – W met on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 with the following members present: Mr. Wilkinson, chairman, and Mr. Gaddy. Also in attendance were: Mr. Roark, Ms. Ford, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Caluda, Col. Fogle, consultant, Mr. Ehrhardt, public information, Mr. Osborn and Mr. Bunn from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and Mr. Connell, United States Army Corps of Engineers. Mr. Avant, legal counsel, participated by phone.

Mr. Wilkinson called the meeting to order in the Commissioners' meeting room at the SLFPA – W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, at approximately 2:30 PM.

The Committee unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

In public comments, Mr. Wilkinson announced that Mr. Viera will now be participating as a member of the public. He has been replaced as a commissioner by Mr. Kerwin Julien.

The Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the minutes from the previous meeting, dated April 15, 2014.

Mr. Avant led a discussion on recent bills proposed by the state legislature and the status of the Intergovernmental Agreement. Mr. Avant will update the Committee again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Osborn and Mr. Bunn gave a presentation on NOAA's sea level rise studies.

Col. Fogle gave an update on armoring status and issues. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Caluda and Mr. Connell updated the Committee on progress with the Western Closure Complex, WBV 16.2 pump station, and other project outstanding issues requiring follow-up. Mr. Caluda will update the Committee again at next month's meeting.

The Committee took a short break for approximately ten minutes and then reconvened.

Mr. Roark updated the Committee on the status of SLFPA-W's emergency and high water preparedness. He will update the Committee again at next month's meeting.

Col. Fogle and Mr. Roark provided a status update regarding feral hogs on the levee. Mr. Roark will update the Committee again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Roark updated the Committee on the status of the building renovations. He will update the Committee again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Gaddy, and Mr. Caluda thanked Mr. Viera for his leadership, technical expertise, and management experience.

Mr. Wilkinson announced that the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 2:30 PM in the Commissioners' meeting room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:26 PM.